

## MIT PLANS TO CHARGE 31

DEMONSTRATORS  
END OCCUPATION;  
NO POLICE USED

By Steve Carhart

The coalition of revolutionary students and non-students who occupied the offices of President Howard Johnson and Chairman of the Corporation James Killian at noon on Thursday left voluntarily at 10 pm Friday night.

No police were called.

As the occupiers left chanting and singing, members of the administration made notes and movies were taken. Immediately after the last radical moved outside the door, the room was sealed by several campus patrolmen and top administrators. Institute photographers and physical plant personnel immediately entered the room to catalogue damage and begin round-the-clock repair efforts.

Meanwhile, the revolutionaries, now numbering about 75, marched to the Student Center to plot their next move.

## Johnson's house

While the radicals were in the Student Center, Associate Provost Paul Gray delivered the following statement to the press on behalf of Johnson:

"the group of students and non-students who battered their way into my office have gone. They went in with an ultimatum of non-negotiable demands. They left with nothing.

"The reason they left is because MIT's faculty and students refused to support threats and violence as a way to accomplish change in this institution. The faculty showed this by its overwhelming vote Thursday con-



demning the occupation. It all started Thursday with guerilla theatre in the lobby of Building 7. From there, demonstrators moved to the President's office. Action was taken by the Institute in court Monday afternoon.

"Had the occupation continued, we were ready to call in the civil authorities. We had no alternative. Let there be no misunderstanding about this. We shall move promptly to seek legal action against every one of the trespassers we can identify."

Johnson's house By midnight, the group of protestors had reformed and marched, chanting, through Institute halls to Johnson's house. There they were met by Gray and Vice President Kenneth R. Wadleigh. The crowd, shouting epithets and engaging in minor shoving matches with administrators and campus patrolmen, moved to Johnson's door to post their demands. One student attempted to crawl into a window ledge, but none of the rest made any attempt to enter the house.

The crowd moved on to the Senior House courtyard, where they chanted and attempted to induce students in the dormitory to join them. The reaction was mixed, but predominantly hostile or indifferent. One student attempted to drop a water bomb on them, but hit Wadleigh instead. A rock was thrown toward Wadleigh, but it missed him and went through a window instead.

## East Campus

Moving on to East Campus, the crowd met another indifferent reception. They returned to the Student Center passing Johnson's office on the way. There

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Execomm pleas for time  
fail to stall court action

Throughout the day Sunday, the Executive Committee of the General Assembly conducted a running battle with the administration concerning the way in which charges would be pressed against the students who participated in the occupation of President Howard Johnson's office last week.

Early in the day, it became apparent that the administration would press forward immediately with civil charges against students as well as non-students who participated in the occupation. In the past, the Institute has generally preferred to handle students through internal disciplinary procedures rather than press civil charges.

The committee reportedly

Complaints to be sought  
for trespass, disruption

By Ed Markowitz

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MIT applied yesterday to the Third District Court of Eastern Middlesex for the issuance of complaints against 31 persons involved in last week's occupation of the offices of President Howard W. Johnson and Corporation Chairman James R. Killian, Jr.

Complaints against two of the 31, George Katsifas '70 and Peter Bohmer '65 (a graduate student), are also being sought for disruption of classes. Two faculty members are included in the trespass list: Professors Louis Kampf and Lillian Robinson.

The others on the trespass list are:

MIT students: Miss Melinda Bird '70, (Pete Bohmer '65), Minot Cleveland '71, Rich Edleman '70, Tom Goreau '71, Miss Peggy Hopper '70, (George Katsifas '70), Peter Kramer '70, David Krebs '72, Jeff Mermelstein '72, Miss Meryl Nass '72, Steven Shalom '70, F. Charles Simmons '72, Frank Taylor '71, Aaron Tovish '71, and Don Wolman '71.

Non-students and former students: Mike Albert '69, Mike Ansara, Greg Habib, Robin Hahnel, James Kilpatrick, William Murray, Michael O'Conner, Miss Susan Orchard, Miles Rappaport, William Saidel '69, Miss Virginia Valian, Leonard Weeks, and Larry White '69.

(Faculty members: Professors Louis Kampf and Lillian Robinson, both of Course XXI.)

The list was released yesterday afternoon by Peter Bohmer and was confirmed by Daniel Klubock, counsel for the accused. In a press release issued by MIT yesterday, it was announced that further complaints may be filed as the Institute continues its review of last week's activities.

Johnson commented in the release, "I believe we have acted fairly and with considerable restraint over the last few days. We are now asking the courts to deal with the illegal acts involved."

Professor Paul Gray, Associate Provost, and Robert Sullivan, Institute Legal Counsel, appeared yesterday afternoon at the Clerk of Court's office to seek the issuance of complaints. At Klubock's request, a hearing was set for tomorrow morning at 10 am to consider the issuance of the complaints.

"Disruption of classes" is illegal under the laws of Massachusetts, and carries a maximum penalty of a fine of \$50 and a 30 day jail sentence. The classes of Professor John Wulff, III, and Professor Edwin D. Bransome, XX, were disrupted Friday afternoon.

The maximum penalty for trespass is a fine of \$100 and a 30 day jail term.

If the court complies with MIT's request, it will issue complaints against the 31, then issue summonses or warrants. Klubock declined to speculate when the cases might come to trial.

In other developments, there will be an augmented Faculty Council meeting today in which the student General Assembly's

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## Friday injunction yet to be served

Institute lawyers had obtained an injunction against the students and non-students who occupied the President's office last week, it was revealed Saturday.

The temporary restraining order, which was obtained late Friday, is still in effect and can be used against any further occupations of rooms. It has not yet been served, however, and will not be unless further occupations take place.

President Howard Johnson said Saturday that preliminary arrangements were underway to serve the court's order on the occupiers when they left voluntarily.

In related legal developments, the Institute announced Saturday that work had begun to bring charges against those

who occupied the offices. Institute lawyers were determining the exact nature of the charges, but it was announced that the charges being studied include trespass, breaking and entering, theft and publication of files, and others. Regarding the stealing and publication of letters from files, Johnson said that this "endangers the privacy of every member of our faculty. Padlocks cannot be substituted for mutual trust in a free university."

It was also announced that on two occasions demonstrators sought to interrupt regular classes and carry on discussions related to their activities in the President's office. In each case they were ejected.

The two classes which were interrupted were a nutrition class taught by Associate Professor

Edwin D. Bransome and a metallurgy class taught by Professor John Wulff. In an official statement, the Institute said that Bransome personally ejected a demonstrator, while Wulff did the same with the help of his students.

## CORRECTION

Friday's issue of *The Tech* identified one of the RLSDS rally speakers as Paul Sullivan '71. It was actually Paul R. Sullivan '73.

In the same article, it was stated that there was an initial confrontation outside the "Corporation Conference Room." Actually, the confrontation took place outside the main entrance to the suite of offices occupied by the President and the Chairman of the Corporation, and the door which was broken through was a separate entrance to the President's office, which is normally kept locked.

## Anti-SDSers rally



Eight to ten MIT students march to the Student Center as part of an anti-SDS demonstration Sunday afternoon. Carrying signs reading "No Amnesty for Albert" and "Expel SDS", the group gathered inside the Institute and marched first to the mass meeting held by RLSDS. Later, followed into the Student Center by several photographers from local newspapers, the group got into a brief scuffle with people inside the building. Holding the "No Amnesty" sign is Robert Bailey '72 of Bexley Hall.

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## Radicals list demands, vote "complicity" vow

By Don Arkin

A new list of demands and a complicity statement supporting the participants of the sit-in in President Johnson's office were the result of a mass meeting held Sunday.

Several hundred members of RLSDS, MITSDS, Weathermen, and their supporters in last week's occupation of Administration offices held the meeting in the Reading Room of the Student Center at 3 pm to discuss the action already taken, and to plan further activities.

The meeting voted in favor of four proposals. The first, in response to the belief that 10 to 30 people were to be arrested on Monday and charged with trespassing, was to circulate a complicity statement stating that all of the signers participated in the occupation.

### Demands

The second proposal was for a petition with a list of demands which would be used as a basis for future actions. The demands will be:

1. An end to war-related research, specifically CAM, MIRV, MTI, the helicopter project, ABM, and International Communism
2. No GE recruiters on campus until the end of the strike
3. An end to the harassment and speed-up of campus workers and the removal of Sal Ciulla as supervisor
4. The rescinding of past punishments, and the reinstatement of Albert, with no new discipline or legal action against participants in the occupation
5. The abolition of the Discipline Committee.

The petition will end with a statement of solidarity with the

demands of the Harvard OBU including their demand for 20% black workers on construction projects.

The meeting also approved two mass rallies. The first will be tomorrow at noon in the lobby of Building 7. The second will be on registration day.

### Vandalism discussed

The discussion started with questions about damage to the occupied offices. It was stated that during the occupation a vote had been taken and that a 5 to 1 majority were against vandalism, but that a few people had broken discipline and done some damage; still, the group had attempted to make some cleanup before they left. The general sense of the meeting was that although the damage done was irrelevant and miniscule compared to that done by the US and MIT in Vietnam and Roxbury, still it was a bad thing politically because the Administration could use it as an excuse to ignore the real issues.

Although no vote was taken, it was suggested that people might want to participate in demonstrations next week at Northeastern when S. I. Hayakawa, President of San Francisco State gives a speech there.

(Ed.'s Note: The following are excerpts from letters sent by Mike Albert's father to The Tech and President Johnson and are reprinted here with his permission.)

The letter was prompted after a New Year's Eve one-hour telephone conversation with President Johnson in which he suggested that I come to Cambridge to confer with him on Friday, January 2nd, at 2 o'clock. I informed him that it was impossible for me to be in Cambridge, not only because of professional engagements, but particularly because of the condition of my health. I requested a week's adjournment, which was refused. When I suggested that I be permitted to deliver a memorandum on the subject, and suggested the impossibility of preparing that prior to Monday January 5th insisted that I make every effort to mail it on Friday January 2nd. I received a phone call on Monday January 5th, at about 10:30 am, informing me that the letter had not been received, and later in the afternoon my secretary received a message that it had been received. On January 5th the letter of the President confirming the decision of the Committee was mailed.

(From the letter to President Johnson)

Rule 1 (That "no member of the Committee who is involved in the particular case other than as a member of the Committee, will sit in judgement") is clear, unequivocal and categorically in recognition of the accepted truism, whether or not in a court of law, that an accuser may not be a judge. The principle and the rule admit of no exceptions or compromises.

The defendant (a legal term used by Professor Lamson, the Chairman of the Committee) was charged with disrespect toward Professor Lamson. When challenged to disqualify himself, in acknowledgement of the impropriety, Professor Lamson surrendered only his position as

Chairman but continued to sit in judgement. Such little disqualification is no more adherence to the mandate of the principle and the rule than a claim of a wanton to chastity because she is only a little pregnant. That Professor Lamson is a gentle man as

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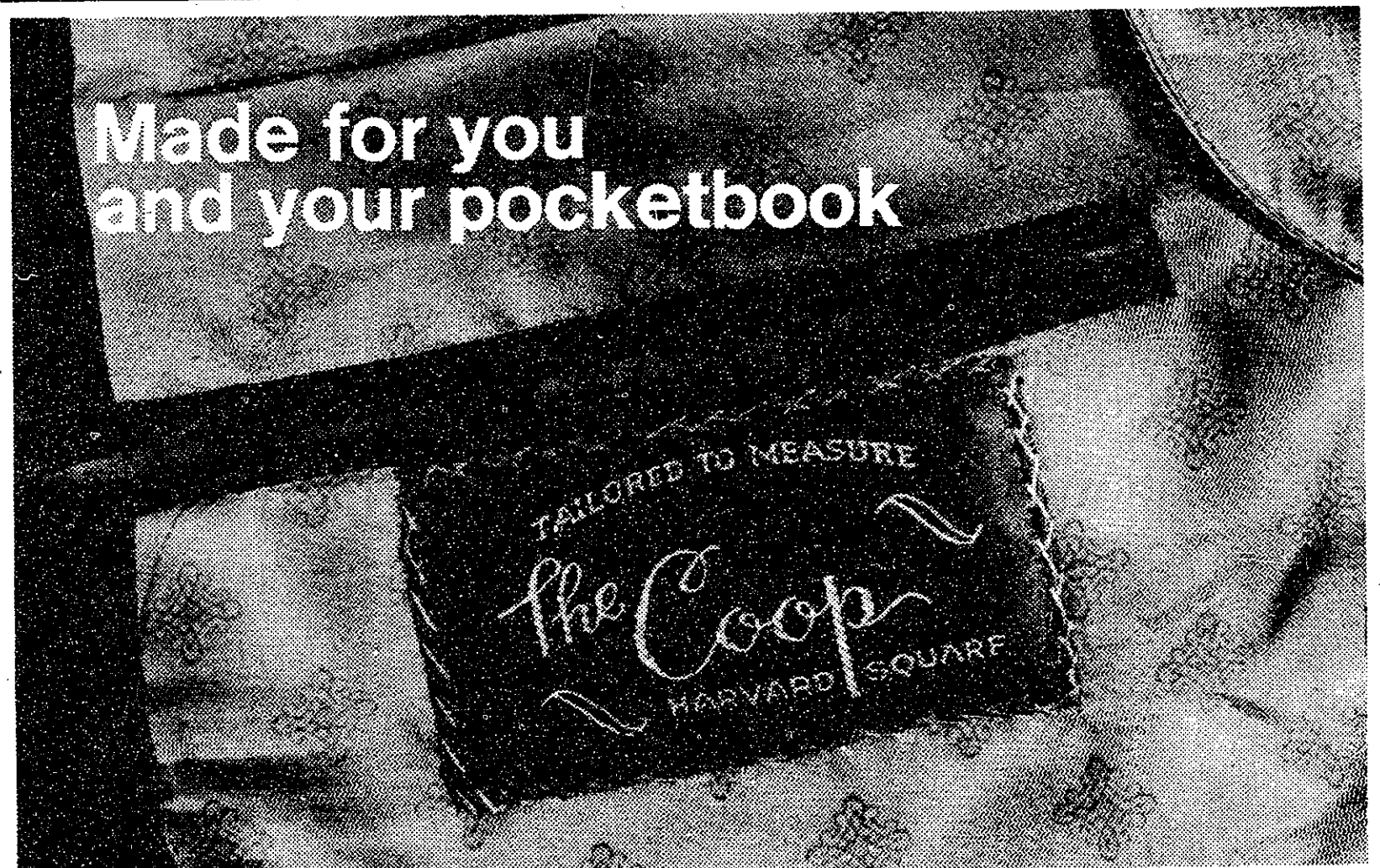
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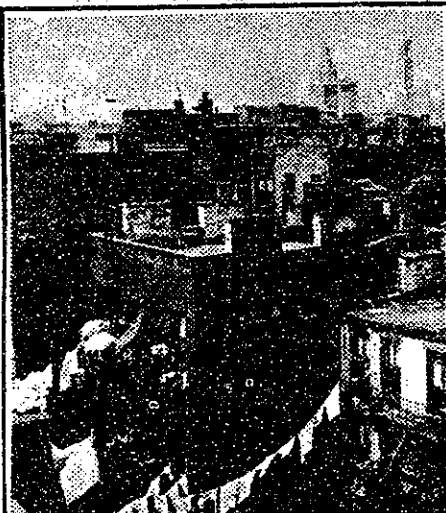


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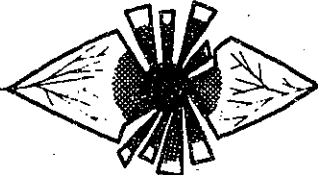
The recent occupation of President Howard Johnson's office by a coalition of revolutionaries was the least constructive action this campus has seen in a long time. It has polarized the campus and caused a vast majority to move several steps to the right out of fear. The atmosphere has been poisoned, and the prospects of reform have dimmed.

All of this is desirable if you believe the Institute and American society to be so bankrupt that they must be overthrown. While we have actively pressed for a variety of reforms which we deem essential, we shudder at the thought of tearing down what we already have. While much of our criticism of society is along the lines of the revolutionaries, we would not be so presumptuous to assume that we understand all the world's ills or that they can be blamed on the oversimplified abstractions of "capitalism" or "imperialism." Consequently, we can only condemn acts of coercion designed to force a point of view on the community. Our best opportunity to improve society without throwing away what we already have will exist in an open, non-polarized atmosphere in which people may act without fear of intimidation.

While we regret that the cases of MIT students involved in the occupation cannot be handled

internally, the Institute had little choice other than pressing civil charges under the present circumstances. No amount of discipline reform will produce a system based on assumptions which will be accepted by the revolutionaries. Furthermore, any attempts to handle this case after discipline reform would result in handling the case using the rules of an ex post facto nature, which would be unsatisfactory.

Hereafter, if the Institute is to be a viable entity and if the present poisoned state of student-faculty relations is to be corrected, a number of things must happen. The faculty will have to rise above the vindictive mass-psychology of the last faculty meeting and begin to deal with students as individuals again. The administration must deal with legitimate student representatives on the issue of judicial reform, not on the basis of the occupation of the President's office but rather on the basis of the motion passed by the General Assembly last week and the actions of the General Assembly force. Finally, the student body will have to consider whether it had a stake in the present system, and if so, it must act in concern with other elements of the community to establish a social contract based on assumptions shared by the entire community.



## SCHIZEYED

by Bruce Schwartz

About six months ago Mike Albert told Ben Snyder he expected to be in jail in six months, and that Ben would help put him there. And now, apparently, he's about to fulfill his prophecy. Others will go with him. The next step in the destruction of MIT as we know it (Bernie Feldman said that last October) should be either a student strike or a faculty revolt which may end with Howard Johnson fleeing to the North Woods. (I'll bet he wishes now he'd taken the presidency of General Foods when he had the chance!)

Why? The events of last week have severely shaken the faculty, not surprisingly. They are now painfully aware that radical students will resort to battering rams, will vandalize offices and steal letters. They also know that radicals will enter and disrupt classes. They remember (and probably with no little fear) that Weathermen proposed beating up Max Millikan and Ithiel Pool last November. The faculty is scared. They feel threatened, and their logic response is "Save us, Howard, or else!"—because they won't settle for less. Hence, the swift action of the administration to get to the court.

Meanwhile, moderate students express anger that the matter is being taken out of the (mythical) MIT community, and want the administration to wait until after a new internal judiciary can be set up to handle MIT students' cases. And if their demands are not met, they may help precipitate the big strike.

Which is, of course, what the revolutionaries want.

Bullshit, all of it. The issue is not and never has been internal judiciary apparatus. No discipline committee, however Somo-monic, could have given Albert a fair hearing. He didn't want one, because he knew he was guilty of the charges against him. Indeed, you have to marvel a little at Lamson's restraint. Would you sit still while people shouted "pig" at you?

The issue isn't fairness of discipline; the issue is MIT's right to administer discipline in the first place. Does it have moral legitimacy in the eyes of its students? Consider the acts committed in the occupation of the President's office. Trespass,

breaking and entering, assault (on Campus Patrolmen), verbal intimidation, vandalism, theft—does anyone really believe that MIT students would tolerate these acts in normal times, that they would countenance even for a moment such an assault upon an institution they loved, respected and felt to be in the right?

MIT stands accused in the eyes of its students. Its answers have been less than satisfactory. Howard Johnson talks about conversion: Charles Miller's letter bursts the balloon. On the one hand HoJo says "most of our students oppose the Vietnam war"—he might explain the intent of his letter to General Groves concerning Sanctuary. Excuse me, Howard, I participated in Sanctuary; I feel betrayed.

The radicals (oh, sorry—revolutionaries), in their private discussions, will hypocritically tell you their goal is not to win the demands but to force polarization and "build the movement". But they aren't really producing polarization; just exposing and widening it. It was there already, that gulf between pro-war and anti-war, between freak and GE board member, between liberal capitalists and nascent socialists. Maybe things would be different hadn't the Johnson and Nixon years seemingly scuttled the viability of liberalism, but now the root of the matter is: are you for the status quo or against it, and does MIT enforce it or can MIT be a force for changing it?

Many of us suspect that the Institute is the bastion of inertia, and that's why we aren't rushing to its defense. Maybe the faculty wants it that way; it often looks that way.

For my part, I only wish that demands were negotiable and both opposing extremities would give the other side, and me, a little time. But they won't, looks like, so here comes the apocalypse. When I've wept for the jailed, and cursed the god-damn human race, maybe I'll want to head for the North Woods.

Maybe there won't be a university worth attending left. What will we be, with all the differences, all the rancor and all the bitterness sitting like a rot-ted feast on our table?

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# Mistakes on both sides

By Bob Dennis

Upon returning from vacation, my first reaction to the expulsion of Mike Albert was that the Administration had made its second major tactical blunder of this academic year.

The first had been the "firing" of "Doc" Draper. This move had little effect on the radical students who realized that the only "conversion" that had taken place was in the name of the Director. Instead, the shakeup only served to further arouse the disillusionment of the I-Lab workers toward the administration.

The Albert expulsion was ill-conceived because of the opportunity it presented to the radicals, whose November Actions had fallen short of expectations in their impact and who seemed to be in need of something to incite them to new "actions".

Considering the questionable nature of the charges that were explicitly leveled against Albert and the manner in which the hearings were conducted, the radicals certainly had a plausible issue with which to start.

The expulsion had illuminated the shortcomings of the Institute's judicial process and the dubious legitimacy of the Discipline Committee itself. From my own viewpoint, it was difficult to respect the judge-

ment of this committee; the one student member of the committee with whom I was somewhat familiar had recently participated in a snowball incident which resulted in several broken windows in the dormitory of which he is Judicial Committee Chairman.

Their concern for the fairness of the disciplinary proceedings having been echoed by the two major campus newspapers as well as many respected members of the faculty, the radicals had a legitimate cause upon which to base their protest. Unfortunately, to concisely summarize the result of the course they chose, they blew it.

In the wake of last week's action, there is destruction—not only in the physical damage to the offices they occupied but also of any early chance of having their cause advanced.

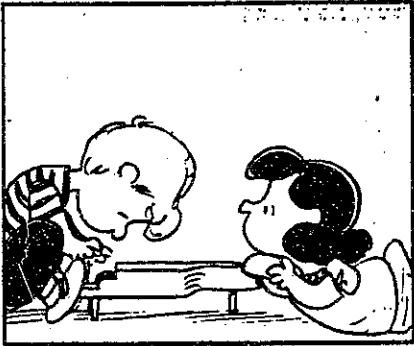
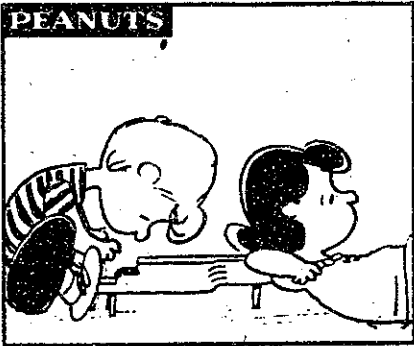
For its next move, the SDS is now planning the distribution of a petition among the community. Common sense would have told them that this course, an attempt to document widespread support, should have been their first mode of action instead of the senseless groping for the revolutionary thrills that they undertook.

As a result of the radicals' action, the administration, which initially seemed receptive to a reasoned review of the

disciplinary process, has now been forced to adopt a hardened line in response to the outrage that the occupation has engendered both at MIT and across the nation. It is unfortunate that there will now be little if any opposition from this community as those who sought justifiable change in the system will instead become the next victims of the Institute's discipline process.

In his post-occupation statement, President Johnson stressed that the faculty as well as the rest of the student body solidly opposed the takeover. Indeed, judging from the sparse attendance at the pre-occupation rally and at Sunday's "mass meeting" and the predominant indifference of most students to the occupation, very few students seemed to be at all aroused by the fact that the administration had expelled the president of the student body. Whether it is a reflection of the fact that student government is still irrelevant to many students, of general antipathy to the antics of Mike Albert and company, or of the simple fact that the "typical MIT student"—although being more conscious of the world outside him than were his predecessors—is still a politically inactive "tool", it appears that Howard Johnson has a "Silent Majority" of his own at his side.

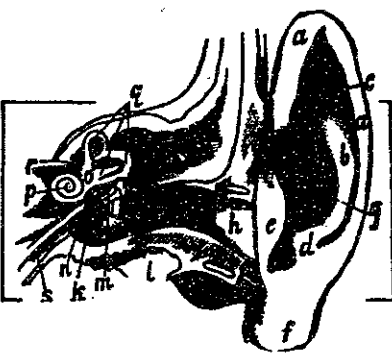
Another thought-provoking incident of the occupation occurred during a debate in the "liberated" President's office between students and a distraught alumnus who argued that the President ought to be more responsive to the alumni than to the students. Unfortunately, the critical financial situation of private universities today does require the Institute to maintain the support of its alumni. Nevertheless, we do live in a time of necessary change both at the national level and at MIT and, generally speaking, today's students perceive the need for change more than do their elders and their time horizon is much shorter. Although their cause is rendered more difficult by events such as last week's, there are many concerned and responsible students at this Institute who can and should be—and in many cases, already are—involved in working for reasoned change at MIT.





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## INSTITUTE HURDLES TOWARDS APOCALYPSE; D-LABS MOVING WHILE RADICALS PROFLIGATE

### RADICALS AT KRESGE FOR LIFE RAP

A national conference of radical youth, held in MIT's Kresge Auditorium as part of a nationwide week of political activities, has been declared a failure by high-ranking delegates who attended.

Those present smoked White Owl cigars, jingled change in the pockets of grey flannel suits, and listened to the music of Mantovani in an attempt to understand the life-styles of the alienated middle class. Bernadine Dohrn was reported in satisfactory condition in the newly liberated maternity ward of Beth Miami Hospital after her face broke out when she inhaled the smoke of tobacco leaves.

The conference got off to a bad start when MIT Provost Jerome Weasel, an invited member of the old left, agreed that "immediate withdrawal" was a sound policy, though the two clashed over the application of the concepts. Cries of "Fuck you, Weasel, we've had enough of your *Playboy* articles!" drowned out the provost.

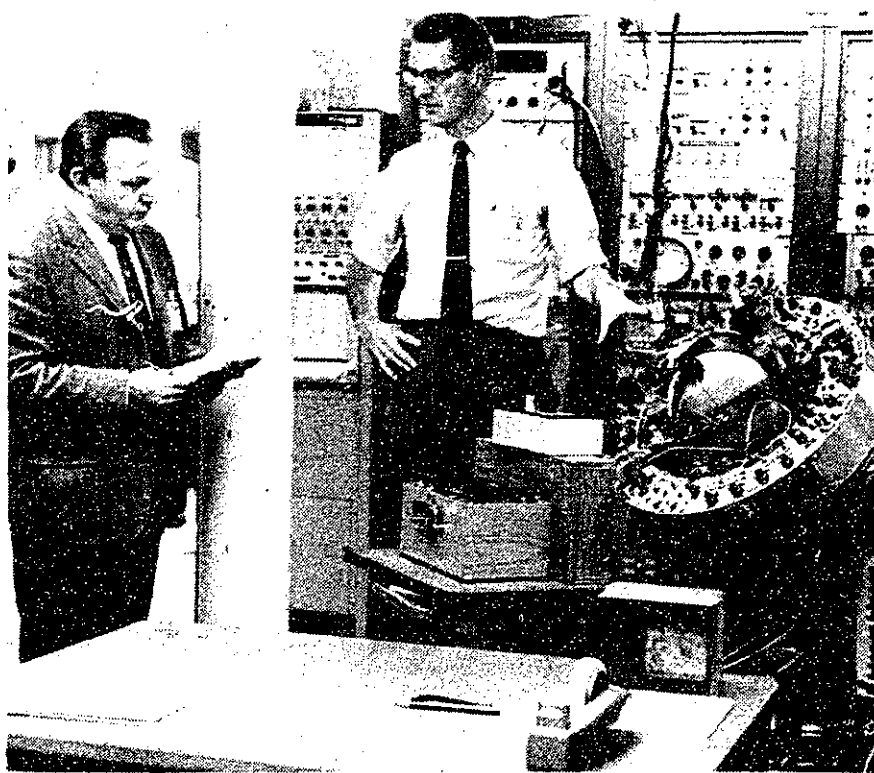
In another incident outside Kresge, portfolioless VP Kenneth R. Waddy was approached by a naked woman, who assaulted him with tepid Mazola oil and made lewd suggestions. Professor Rollo-Christ corroborated Waddy's testimony, though he added that it was not a woman, but a girl, who precipitated the incident. Waddy was thwarted in his efforts to remove the provocateur by campus cops, who threw themselves in his path screaming "arrest me! arrest me!" in squealing voices. Greek Freedom Fighter George Katchyournices, who was standing nearby singing "Onassis was Right" to the tune of "We shall overcome", denied this took place.

Institute officials, frustrated and wanting to blow off steam, occupied the UAP's office after breaking in with an illegal master key fabricated in a metallurgy lab, only to find that the office had been cleaned out several days previously, and that the radical leaders were not present.

The officials then moved to the lobby of Building 7, where a mock trial was held. Prof. Roy Lambson could not be located to act the part of the judge; rumors have it that he has flown to Mexico to appear in divorce proceedings resulting from an incident in which he jokingly told his wife he was Julius Hoffman.

Meanwhile, the radicals adjourned their meeting, and, splitting into groups, moved on the Institute's parking facilities, which were all offed, with the exception of Westgate.

Thousands of Westgate parking stickers have been sent to members of the Institute community on MIT presidential stationery by the radicals.



CSD engineers discuss mockup for Moving Target Eliminator (MTE) at new headquarters in former NASA site.

Photo by Harold Folderall

### POPE ISSUES RULE AGAINST 'UNGODLY' MIT

Institute denies everything; Johnson reported flying to the Vatican

Pope Paul VI has placed MIT under papal interdict, according to the Vatican newspaper *L'Osservatore Paisano*. The action came only weeks after the Pontiff's address to pilgrims at Saint Peter's on the occasion of the festival of Epiphany, in which he said:

"Science, which opens so many roads to natural truth and precedes supernatural truth, does not increase the religious sense but weakens it and sends it to sleep."

That, plus a tip from radical Catholic students that the D-Labs [formerly I-Labs] were to be converted to research in birth control methods, led to the papal decree against the Institute. In announcing his action, the Pope said "MIT is guilty of crimes against nature, and crimes in the eyes of God. Any man who blindly follows such an institution in its evil path must also stand condemned in the eyes of God"

The interdict makes it a mortal sin for any Roman Catholic to attend MIT. President Howard Weasly Johnson was reportedly flying to Rome at press time, to seek dispensations so that Catholic students could continue to attend the Institute.

Meanwhile, the Office of Public Relations issued a release, heatedly denying that Charles Stick Dropper, vice director of the Labs, had flown to Houston for talks with Billy Graham.

Cardinal Cushion of the Archdiocese of Boston also issued a statement denying that the church had any plans to attempt

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### Dropper Labs form a separate Corporation

New company to complete MIRV, ABM contracts on old NASA site

By Skits Enderson

In a surprise move, the Charles Stick Dropper (formerly Instrumentation) Laboratories will leave MIT and move into the buildings being vacated by NASA in Cambridge, Dropper announced today with an elfin grin.

The move followed the formation over the weekend of the CSD Instrumentation Corporation and the decision by the Department of Defense to transfer all the contracts it presently maintains with the labs through MIT to the new corporation.

Lab personnel began moving into the NASA buildings today. Dozens of FBI agents cordoned off the areas around the loading docks of several IL buildings to prevent breaches of security as top-secret records and instruments were transferred to Brink's trucks for transportation to the new quarters.

CSD moves into the former NASA site by virtue of an agreement reached last Friday between NASA administrator Thommass Pain and Defense Secretary Melvin Laird, transferring the buildings from NASA jurisdiction to the DoD. DoD in turn will lease the buildings to CSD for \$1 per year.

"Doc" Dropper also disclosed that CSD would, in addition to completing the MIRV, ABM, and helicopter contracts, embark on new work funded by DoD to the tune of \$130,000,000 per year.

At a press conference in the gleaming, ultra-modern auditorium/steam room of the NASA site, Dropper and his colleagues (the new board of directors of CSD) unveiled models of some of their new projects, such as:

Antisubmarine Sonic System: CSD will develop a weapon designed to match the resonant frequency of Soviet submarine hulls, destroying them invisibly. CSD officials said that half an Antisubmarine Sonic System would be installed on the new Poseidon submarine *John Foster Dulles*, now being built in Newport News, Virginia. Radicals have pointed out that this project has applications to peoples' wars, such as that in Vietnam,

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### Finboard spins, off MIT over bookkeeping dispute

Finboard Chairman Gyp Fale announced today that his committee would submit a motion to next Tuesday's General Assembly meeting to have the board stop funding the Institute.

According to the statement by Fale, "MIT has shown gross negligence in its financial matters and has repeatedly asserted that it was going to change funding sources toward a more acceptable balance and stability. It has neglected to do so." In addition, the comptroller of the organization, Paul Cutestick, has steadfastly refused to submit the Institute's books for a Finboard audit. This move to "spin-off" the Institute, according to Fale,

is due to this fiscal irresponsibility.

The Institute was put on probation by Finboard last year. At the time, the reasons given were the unacceptable funding sources and the large amounts of money taken as pay by the officers of the organization.

The *Daily Reamer* has learned, through usually reliable sources, that MIT President Howard Weasly Johnson will resign his post at the school to accept a position as president of General Foods.

### MIT sets MAFIA merger

By Dirty Eddie Marconi

In a series of surprise moves today, President Howard Weasly Johnson of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology announced plans for the merger of the Institute with the Mothers

And Fathers Italian Association. The reason for the merger is based in the large number of uncontrollable student protests of late. "The M.A.F.I.A.", explained Johnson, "has been long known for their power to quell

dissent."

"At first", Johnson continued, "we had considered subcontracting our work in control of student affairs, but inflation has made this impossible." Apparently good torpedoes are getting harder and harder to find. In addition, the police are now demanding bigger and bigger payoffs. As an example, a scant few years ago murders were only \$200 each; broken arms were \$75 each or 2 for \$125; acid in the face \$75 (sulfuric) and 75 cents (citric). Today murders are \$300, arms \$100 and \$150, and acid \$75 and \$3.

The new organization will be known as the Mothers And Fathers Italian Association.

It has been rumored that Johnson (alias "Howie the Weasel") has changed his name to Guido Johnsoni. Despite the fact that Jay Hammerschlag changed his name to Giovanni Hammeroni he was only given control of the grenade throwing range. Needless to say, all Greeks will be rapidly disposed of.



Two members of the Mothers And Fathers Italian Association conduct a seminar for college administrators in protest control. The methods used by the Association have proved to be the most effective currently in use.

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A parting blow

This issue brings Volume 69 of *The Reamer* to a grinding halt. While it is a time of ratiocination and retrenching for the rag as new editors take it over, the Institute whose affairs we have been representing remains agog. It — and *The Reamer* — is searching for the self-confidence and sense of the faculty which have been eroded by the war and our increasing recognition of the gap between the nation's expressed intentions and its repressed desires.

Today we are witnessing a disintegration of that consensus. Not only has a generation learned from the Vietnam war that it cannot trust its own President; it has also learned from experiencing education that it can do without. Consequently, more and more undergraduates have become disenchanted with the Institute's emphasis on 18.02, which seems to fit one only to be an inquisitive, hyper-effete cog in a machine he can't contemplate and MIT's complicity in monstrosities like CTSS.

This policy of rushing madly about greasing

each squeaky wheel will work only as a stopgap measure. If continued indefinitely, the result will be an inevitable lubrication of the institution as each interest group finds this is the way to keep things cool. As long as this philosophy motivates Institute priorities, whatever common denominator exists between groups will approach zero asymptotically.

It may be that the Institute will remain in its present state of constipation until the government can square away its own ship and tell the Omnipotent Multigarchy that our national task at this point is to attain social justice, save the environment, stop the arms race, and off Bob Hope. Since the Omnipotent Multigarchy doesn't give a damn about what you think, this should restore our apathy and sense of meaning. If the Institute is to survive as a viable entity until that time, however, we must begin now to search for some teleological foundations on which we can rebuild our sense and confidence in the perversity of the Institute.

SCHWARTZEYED

by Bruce Schiz

B.S. having left my bed and board, I am no longer responsible for his debts.

N. Mailer  
Brooklyn

Scene: black sky painted over by invisible hand; world washed in Institute grey. Matches my mood. Fear. Walks around haunting the buildings. Push it back and it penetrates, creeps around your edges and clamps tiny pincers on your block. Row of blue, five foot two, neat files of pain, marching down Gun-smoke street, at ME! I cringe. The question will come in the coming night. Better to flee. Who knows what evil lurks in the hearts of men? The Shadow knows, or must I someday stand and fight? Perhaps, darkly, for what's right, but certainly for survival now that the adrenalin has ebbed.

Who could imagine that they would freak out at MIT? I dream cracked skull, but I'm Press, they can't do that to me! (So?) move along "I'm moving I'm moving" clear out and then the stick (There's a book in this somewhere). So these are pigs en masse.

Going home means many things. Chasing Jersey tomatoes, the loss of hair, and a respite from journalism.

For me, at least, it also means a lot of unpleasant jolts, some-

thing you can lose in student-infested Boston. Here then are some notes from Middle America.

My uncle, who's a pig, knows business. So here's a few things he told me about:

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An unidentified Cambridge policeman helps remove radical leader George Katchourfices from the house of Pres. Johnson as Campus Patrol Capt. Stanley looks for approval from the heavens. The youthful messiah was at the President's house to protest the Institute's breaking the MIRV contract as "a move to rob the revolution of one of its most important issues."

the last turd

## A 1970 cosmology

In a surprise move, in January, the Engineering Faculty blows up half the campus and leaves. 300 students are jailed. MIT President Howard Weasley Johnson leaves to become president of General Foods.

February: Dropper Labs move on to the deserted MIT campus. 2000 undergraduates transfer to Rindge Tech.

March: Three radicals are found dead of an overdose of Rhetoric. Nixon's press secretary Constantine B. Slimeonides refuses to comment, but a green beret is found at the scene.

April: Lincoln Labs move to Argentina.

May: Ten Weathermen executed for offing an IBM 360. In international news, 2,000,000 US and Soviet troops invade Red China. The Cuban sugar harvest goes down by half. Nixon is assassinated by a Polish Freedom Fighter after the US refuses to send troops into Soviet-occupied Poland. VP Agnew ascends to the throne, despite recurring attacks of lockjaw.

June: Ed Markowitz graduates and announces his engagement to half the female population of Boston. Reid Ashe is given a degree and 24 hours to get off campus. Mike Feirtag shaves his head and enters a Zen monastery. Bruce Schwartz's first novel gets rave reviews, but does not sell.

July: The United Nations resolves that life is not worth living; delegates from 120 nations take LSD. Pope Paul blesses the world and, at services held in Muskogee, Oklahoma, presses a button which lights up a 155 foot tall Christmas tree topped by a Doomsday Machine.

August: The Doomsday Machine misfires. The Pentagon cancels Dropper's contract but accepts his offer to build a Doomsday Machine Mark II. Mike Bromberg sobers up.

September: Urchins overrun Washington, D.C., and try to fornicate in the streets without dropping their rifles. To their dismay, they find that they are not yet pubescent. Karen Waddle resigns as UAWP without portfolio. Greg Arenson is released from a military stockade at Fort Benning, Georgia,

and negotiates to run "Peanuts" in his underground GI newspaper. Harvey Baker is found unconscious in W20-483 with blue pencil marks around his mouth. He recovers when his brain is pumped.

October: SDS splits into 25 factions after arguments over using Soviet AK47's. Ed Markowitz announces the clearing of his first million dollars from his mountain hideaway in Antarctica.

November: Marijauna and DDT are legalized.

December: Joe Kashi figures things out. His request to run an extra is turned down by the Board. He pouts. Bruce Schwartz's second book is coolly accepted. In a front-page *New York Times Book Review* article, Norman Mailer theorizes that Schwartz is written out.

The world ends, to mixed reviews. God announces plans to try again at an unspecified later date and location.

(Please turn the other cheek)

## Histrionics stop the show at Disciplinary Committee



In a photo taken secretly at a closed Disciplinary Committee hearing, Dean for Student Affairs Dan Whyfart accuses student body president Al Mikebert of trespass against the lords. The Committee hopes to diversify its activities in the future, and consider cases of No Doz pushers, pinball titlers, and person or persons unknown who throw up on Student Center office floors. It is also considering bugging phones, unless the Bell System removes them all first.

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## D-Labs accept new work

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where it could be used for shattering Vietcong eardrums.

Landing craft stabilization: The Navy's LT (landing ships, tank) have historically had the defect of wallowing in such a manner that some 7.4% of the Marines landed in the Dominican Republic were seasick when they hit the beach. CSD will develop the LSTS (landing ship, tank - stabilized) to eliminate this problem in all future landings.

Moving Target Eliminator (MTE): a vast improvement over the MTI, MTE will be designed for use from high-flying F-111's. When it spots a guerilla, it will release a low-yield (0.25 kiloton) MIRVed Falcon missile. Accuracy of the missile reportedly will be about 100 millimeters, the length of a Benson & Hedges outer cigarette.

In announcing these projects, the CSD board raised their right hands in a toast proposed by Associate Director Bernie Ffilledman: "Hojo's left and Albert's gone, but Instrumentation keeps right on!"

He was referring to MIT President Howard Weasley Johnson's announcement yesterday that he would leave MIT to become president of General Foods, and to Albert's expulsion some two weeks earlier.

Radical groups greeted the move in the usual manner. Rosa Lichtenstein SDS voted to occupy the president's office and demand the reunification of the Labs with MIT and their conversion, in addition to demands that MIT give \$200,000 to the Black Panther Party, that MIT fire sadistic exam monitor Hal Kudga, and that Richard Nixon be declared persona non grata by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. Freedom Fighter George Katchourfices said, "We're not interested in winning demands; we want to build a movement that will off the state," as he was being carried off to a waiting Boston Police

wagon to face Judge Elwood P. Dowd in the continuation of his case (held over from December) in the Roxbury District Court. The Boston Tactical cop was overheard to snicker, "The judge ain't gonna be happy with you, Georgie."

MITSUKS denounced the RL vote as "opportunistic" and renewed its demands that MIT fire foreman of janitors Sal Shula. SACC expressed dismay with everybody. Jonny Cabot said, "This is exactly what we didn't want. Of course, SACC is revolutionary, but how can we fight for conversion when the lab people won't cooperate?" The General Assembly could not be reached for comment. Finals

went on undisturbed by the sounds of gunfire from the former NASA site where 12 Weathermen were shot attempting to plant a stink bomb.

The administration remained silent. Portfolioless Acting President Dean K. Waddy remained secluded in Newton contemplating his navel, some said. Assistant to the president Constantine B. Slimeonides told reporters from *The Daily Reamer* "No comment".

"Bu...," he said, "don't quote me on that."

## Schiz...

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with hard, long, thick nightsticks.

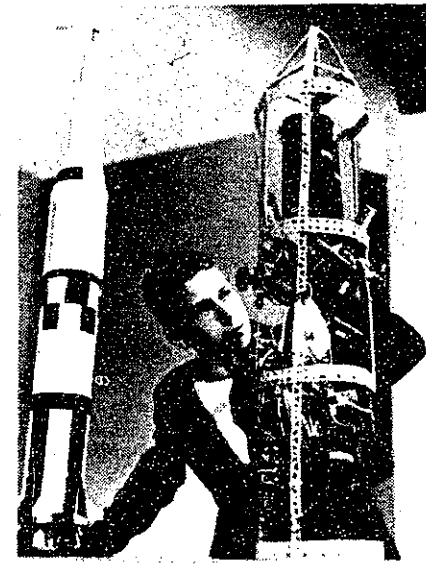
Reverse-Oedipoidal substitution: A simple ploy. When a demonstrator is a bra-less filthy degenerate Weathergirl, you spank her.

"Well, Uncle M, you asked me once why students become radicals. There's one answer." He looked a bit uncomfortable. Then he asked me what alternative the radicals offered.

And at this point, I almost reluctantly prepare to lose my standing as a filthy hippie on this campus. This is my position, my fellow Americans, not necessarily the opinion of this newspaper. Mine. Because I like to think it matters.

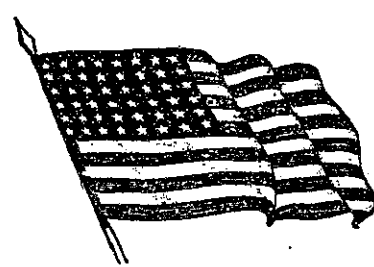
Yes, what's the point? America is fucked up. It's full of shit. Yaaaaah, shit. Shit, shit, shit. From the mountains to the prairies to the oceans white with foam. Can ya hear me, Ma? Aarrrrrrrrh shit.

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December 30, 1969

Mr. James A. Smith  
Department of State  
Washington, D.C. 20014

Dear Mr. Smith,

I appreciate very much your taking the time to write me and tell me your views. I am, of course, dismayed to hear of the conclusion which you have stated because I believe they are based upon a wrong interpretation of the facts at M.I.T. I can certainly understand this interpretation in view of your reliance on the East Village Observer. The idea that we have ignored the issues raised by the November actions is patently ridiculous. We are concerned that such well intentioned and deeply moral people as Mr. Alpert are disturbed with the Institute and are trying to conform with their sincere criticism. I rest assured that we are following a policy of searching reappraisal of our commitments and shall not be coerced by such vocal minorities as Mr. Aslop.

First, despite the need to appease warmongering imperialists among the faculty and alumni less enlightened than yourself, we have continued to make our facilities available to responsible groups of dissenters such as Rosa Leichtenstein SDS and have continued to present substantive issues for them to galvanize mass action around. Not only that, the Institute has initiated a policy of farming out the more notorious warmongers on its staff, such as (the late) Max Mulligan and "Doc" Charles Stock Dropper. We are now in the process of finding worthwhile projects to which to convert the I-Labs for the benefit of the Third World, in lieu of pointlessly allowing them to pass out of existence.

Of course, we have not decided to allow the I-Labs to continue on their present course indefinitely, but once again are only continuing them in their present role to soothe the more reactionary elements of the community and to present concrete causes for dedicated revolutionaries to build mass discontent and lead to true revolution, and not false and halfway reform.

In line with this policy we have recently taken disciplinary action against Michael Alpert and Mr. Katzyrfeccas so that they may have more real examples of "repression", and so that they would not have to bother with the forms of M.I.T. student life which tend to distract them from their true work towards the revolution.

Finally, I feel that YOU have every reason to be proud of the Institute, for although we must preserve our public image of disapproval, we feel that we are playing our necessary part as a true vanguard of the revolution, and we hope to take our place with you in the future socialist people's republic.

Right on,

Howard Weasley Johnson

HWJ:cbs

## Typical jock article dull reading

On Saturday the Tech speedsters turned the modified rhomboidal hardpan of Rockwell Cage into an abattoir as they slaughtered the Brunswickians of Bowdoin, 70-34. MIT captured eight of twelve first places. Both the varsity and freshman cindermen continue to terrorize the ranks of collegiate indoor track, en route to their first national championship.

In the broad jump, Al Lau furthered his assault on Bob Beamon's world record with a 26' 8 3/4" leap. Unfortunately, Lau fouled on this attempt, nullifying the jump; he had to settle for second place. Charlie "Seagram" Gentry cleared the crossbar at 16' 2" to lead teammates Gloweinka and Rich to a sweep of the vault. [Charlie's nickname has nothing to do with USC's Bob Seagren.]

In the high jump Al Lau and Ty Rabe went 1-2. Lau demonstrated the efficacy of his technique (the Lau Flop) in which he passes over the bar with his head tangent to it and his body perpendicular to the bar. This unique style was recently publicized in *Sports Illustrated* and *Aviation Weekly*.

Mike McClure and Ray Mayer proved to be a hazard to the thinclads, as their heaves in the shot and 35 pound weight consistently exceeded 70 feet, often landing in the track.

Tech also dominated action on the cinders by taking all but one first. In the 50 yard dash, Captain Larry Kelly offered to

buy the officials each a pair of glasses, after he had been adjudged second in a close finish. The dispute arose when the Accrue-ton phototimer malfunctioned. Human error was the reported cause of the difficulty. Eric Darling brought the capacity crowd to its feet when he won the mile in 3:48.2. Bobby Myers was third with a pedestrian 4:05.

Henry "Erv" Hall and Al "Richmond Flowers" Lau finished first and second in the high hurdles. The trio of John Owens, Chip Kimball, and Larry Kelly sweetened the score by sweeping the 600 in a phenomenal 1:17.0. Pat Sullivan and Bobby Myers were first and third in the 1000.

The two-mile saw Rich "Slick" Goldhor triumph over Cuneo of Bowdoin and his teammate Craig "Fish" Lewis. This was Goldhor's second consecutive win over Lewis, who now owes Goldhor two milkshakes in their intense personal rivalry. However, "Fish" promises a comeback and a few frappes of his own. MIT also won the mile relay for a little icing on the cake. The team of Hoffman, Kimball, Owens, and Kelly turned in excellent splits of 50.2, 49.7, 48.0, and 49.9, defeating the Bowdoin team of Batton, Barton, Durstine, and Osborne.

The Whiz Kids of '73 annihilated Bowdoin by an even larger margin, 80-21. The Engineer frosh won every event, with Kaufman, Borden, and Moore coming up with double wins. Brian Moore put the 16 pound

shot 48' 1 1/2" to break his own record.

MIT athletic director Hoss Rip was unavailable for interviews. A two hundred pound sumo wrestler told this reporter that Hoss was busy unliberating the sauna bath, which was being occupied by four weathergirls practising karate.



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## New drug produces excremental visions

Jerome Leadbin of the Biology Department has announced the discovery of a new hallucinogen. The existence of the drug was first detected by Bernard Bastewell, a graduate student engaged in "Q" level security research under Leadbin's direction.

Although the precise nature of the experimental work was not revealed, it has been stated by reliable sources in high places that a test group of albino aardvarks (clinically pure, organically extracted from White Sands,

New Mexico) was administered a small dosage of dried gnu excrement in an effort to determine with precision the effects of this substance in raising the animal's resistance to AMV, the well-known Aardvark Mosaic Virus. Immediately upon injection, the animals' pupils began pulsating in a damped oscillatory mode with an exponential decay rate, turned paisley, and then began to oscillate again. It was also noted that the drug appeared to effect an immediate dilation of the anus, followed by a series of

drug-induced slobberings which varied in intensity from the effects of Exlax to those of moldy frijoles. The droppings appeared to take on a characteristic form, such as hypercubes or animal crackers.

It took several hours before the researchers realized that the animals were tripping.

The active principle of gnu excrement, sulphamphetamine excretin, or SAE, was soon chemically extracted, and orally administered to a test group of twenty-five MIT administrators, while a placebo consisting of the excretin extraction gnu residue was given to a group of twenty-five demonstrators collected from the president's offices. The first group reacted much as the aardvarks had, and even a massive dose of Kaopectate did not prevent the more embarrassing symptoms from eventually emerging. The first group reported the ability to experience two irrelevant emotions at once, such as the euphoria of a hot-cold shower of Sanka coffee, and the frustration of finding that there is no toilet paper in the men's room. Synesthesia, the crossing of sense experiences,

was also evidenced—one man reported smelling diarrhea as he listened to a piece from Frank Zappa's *Uncle Meat*. The second group displayed only increased resistance to Aardvark Mosaic Virus.

Congress has already imposed a stiff penalty for possession, sale, complicity in possession or sale and knowledge of possession or sale of gnus, gnu excrement, stoned aardvarks, excrement of stoned aardvarks, or any combination of these. A research group under the auspices of the FDA, headed by Bastewell, has set out for the Isles of Langerham in defiance of the new laws, seeking the breeding ground where the species of gnu in question are reported to languish. The group is taking with them large quantities of LSD, mescaline, THC, and chlorpromazine, which Bastewell claims may well neutralize the effects of SAE, or at least modify them.

Bastewell plans on beginning his PhD thesis immediately upon his return to Boston (date unknown), "as soon as I get some of the shit cleared out of my head."

## Announcements.

\* A new course in Techniques of Massachusetts Institutions (3.14159265, 2-1-18) will be offered next term. Interested persons should contact David Alperin, room W20-457, x2986.

\* The Tech has long since opened its membership to freshmen. Those interested in writing, production, layout, paste-up, sit-down, etc., should visit the Student Center office, room W20-483, any Wednesday or Sunday evening; or call x2731. Sophomores, juniors, and seniors are also invited. [Look, people, this one is at least half serious. . . ]

\* A Student Hetrophile Society has been formed at Simmons College to promote understanding and feeling and to sponsor hetrosexual social events. Anyone interested in forming a similar group at MIT should call Dave at 876-6567.

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## Students see Albert as victim

A straw vote, taken at a student meeting Friday in Kresge, showed that most of the 1000 or so students there believed Mike Albert was expelled for political reasons.

The two and a half hour meeting was arranged by an ad hoc group and chaired by Marv Keshner '71, Nancy Wheatley '71 and Tracy McClellan '71. The purpose of the meeting was to "give students a chance to be heard," and the time was taken up with statements from about 25 students and 5 members of the faculty and administration.

The administration was reportedly disconcerted about the meeting. With plans afoot to obtain an injunction against the sit-in, they may have been forced to postpone action due to the danger of a reaction developing there.

The speakers at the meeting addressed themselves to the topics of change at MIT, especially in the disciplinary system, and the demands resulting from the sit-in.

Pete Kramer '70, who resigned from the Discipline Committee two weeks ago, felt that

while the committee consists of well meaning people, "they're going to fail." He based this prediction on the belief that the committee is not doing "what it was made for." He said that the administration knew there was a problem, but hadn't done anything about the committee. While the members of the committee don't think they're acting politically, he felt they were acting in a style and because of the style were being politically repressive. He expressed a need to focus the attention of the community on the problem of the discipline system, but had doubts "about the wisdom of remaining in Johnson's office."

Stephen Decanio G, a member of MIT-SDS, read the demands of the people in the President's office and called on the meeting to support them, but met with little support. The demands were: 1) an end to imperialist research, 2) no GE recruiters on campus, 3) an end to the harassment of MIT maintenance workers, 4) \$150,000 to be given to the Black Panthers, 5) rescinding of past punishments, 6) abolishing of the Faculty Discipline Committee.



Chairing the meeting of the student body on Friday were Nancy Wheatley '71, Marv Keshner '71 and Tracy McClellan '71.

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## Walkout...

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was some sentiment to retake the office, but the majority disagreed. As they passed the office, George Katsiaticas '70 shouted into a loudspeaker, "We're going to win because we're the people. You're going to lose HoJo, because you're a pig!"

Returning again to the Student Center, the crowd decided to call a mass meeting for 3 pm Sunday.

The initial decision of the group to leave the offices came just before 10 pm at a mass meeting in Killian's office. Apparently unaware of the injunction which the Institute was about to use, the group voted by a large majority to leave. Reliable sources reported that the administration was prepared to call the police at midnight.

### Damages

Before the group left, an abortive attempt was made by some of those present to clean up some of the mess made during the 34 hour occupation. Despite these efforts, the final toll of damage to the offices included: slogans written on

most of the walls; torn carpet in one small area; destruction of or damage to typewriters and telephones; and the theft or defacement of tapestries and pictures; and the general messiness caused by a large residue of refuse in the rooms.

## FACULTY TO HEAR DISCIPLINE PLAN

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Task Force on Judicial Procedure will present a detailed proposal for a revised Institute judicial system. The proposal will also be presented at tomorrow's faculty meeting.

Earlier charges of criminal trespass brought against Katsiaticas in connection with the recent anti-GE demonstrations at Boston University may be brought up again. Katsiaticas' trial was continued until June, with the understanding that charges against him would be dropped if he stayed out of trouble until then. Katsiaticas was formally admonished recently by the MIT Faculty Discipline Committee for his part in the November Actions.

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## DISCIPLINE STATEMENT

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of admonishment, the Committee had informed Mr. Albert that its action should be regarded as a warning that disruptive or coercive protest was not to be tolerated in this community.

In arriving at its recommendations, the Committee first considered its decision concerning the demonstration at the Placement Office. It then considered separately the charge concerning disruption of the Committee. In recommending that Mr. Albert be disqualified for disciplinary reasons, the Committee expressed the view that Mr. Albert had, on three separate occasions over a four-month period, demonstrated his unwillingness to abide by reasonable norms governing dissent, protest, and demonstrations. No other actions or beliefs of Mr. Albert for which he was not formally charged influenced the action of the Committee.

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ALBERT'S FATHER

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urged by you, does not relieve him of the imperative duty of not judging, of not being suspect, or of influencing his colleagues. No judge ever concedes the possibility of bias; the rigidity of the rule impelling disqualification is to prevent any possibility of question.

The notice mailed December 18th for a hearing December 23rd, received on Saturday, December 20th, requiring a listing of his witnesses with a disclosure of the relevancy of their testimony by December 22nd at 4:00 pm, when students had left for the Christmas recess and were not available, was arbitrary and unreasonable. It prevented any assembly of witnesses by making it impossible to even contact them in time and imposed a pro-

hibitive cost to return any to Cambridge...

The testimony corroborates the report in *Technology Review* that there was no violence and that had it been intended, nothing could have prevented the group, consisting of 40 individuals, half students and non-students, from storming the placement office. It is clear that a group gathered, milled around, used possibly strong language and dispersed without a "shot" being fired. An annoyance, yes; an unpleasantness, yes. But if the punishment should fit the crime, clearly expulsion is not warranted for this incident.

The "disrupted" hearing was held in a circus atmosphere before interested, excitable, volatile spectators. That the decorum of the court might not result was to be expected and was in fact obviously anticipated. The question is raised as to whether or not the permission granted for spectators was not intended as a provocation or an entrapment. That the decorum of the Court might not result was to be expected and that lack of decorum would prevail was obviously anticipated. Certainly, experience should have indicated the possibility of interruption and dictated the courage to exclude spectators. That the "gentle" Professor Lamson (so was Brutus gentle) over-reacted and obviously was lacking the experience or will to control the hearing was obvious from the small excerpt of the tape of the hearing. The decorum of the hearing when continued attests to the conclusion that such untoward events as occurred at the original hearing were induced by the setting.

If the incidents are viewed with compassion, and under the Rules, only such incidents may be considered, the sum total of zeroes is zero. Considering that the University has suffered the activities of the defendant for years and that he is potentially qualified for a degree within 30 days, the enormity of the punishment recommended may be viewed not as the imposition of a penalty but as an exercise in vengeance. The thought cannot be blotted out that the incidents have been magnified out of all proportion because the defendant's political philosophy and his success in awakening the public conscience of MIT students, theretofore admittedly most dormant. To digress, I wonder at how the Committee would have judged the participants of the Boston Tea Party...

As to the charge of disrespect, it is clear that one acting in a judicial capacity, springing to his feet unjudicially in resentment at incidental use of impolite language, loudly commanded a harassed, worried student peremptorily to sit down, in a physical setting not conducive to dignity of decorum. Not from a witness chair or counsel table which might have prompted restraint, impelled by excitement-instilling presence of an excited audience in an auditorium encouraging theatrics, unable to wait for the *mot juste*, the defendant took the tone set, was unable to avoid the provocation and answered back. Under those circumstances, does the majesty and ruffled dignity of the Chairman who provoked a reply require such excessive penalty?



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# Clarification from the Discipline Committee

(Ed.'s Note: This statement was released by the Discipline Committee in response to inquiries as to its nature and structure.)

Numerous inquiries from members of the M.I.T. community and in particular the meeting of the Augmented Faculty Council on Wednesday, January 14, 1970, expressed intense interest in having a detailed statement of the ways in which the Discipline Committee operates and the procedures by which it arrived at its decisions in recent cases such as that of Michael Albert.

This statement has a twofold purpose: (a) to restate the basis and procedures under which the b) Committee on Discipline during the 1968-1969 academic year and were reviewed at that time by Institute legal counsel and by independent legal counsel. The revised procedures were adopted by the faculty in the spring of 1969.

## Basis and Procedures

Individual responsibility for academic achievement, honesty and personal conduct is consistent with the assumption that M.I.T. students come to the Institute for serious purpose and are dedicated to education. The development of responsible adults who are professionally qualified ethically as well as academically, has traditionally been a goal at MIT. The counseling system, faculty advisors, the office of the Dean for Student Affairs and the Medical Department are available to help students with advice and guidance in all matters. Problems of conduct and discipline are generally dealt with in the undergraduate living groups through the student judicial system. Serious infractions - including all infractions which might lead to disciplinary disqualification - are referred to the Committee on Discipline. This committee, which has for many many years benefited from participation by collaborators in the student body, hears each case thoroughly, and makes judgments deemed appropriate for the development of the individual student.

Cases may be brought to the Committee by the members of Dean's office staff directly on their own initiation or at the request of individual faculty members or students appealing the ruling of a lower judicial body or the Dean.

Off-campus misconduct will not be the basis for disciplinary action unless it is deemed by the Institute a clear and present danger to the functions of the Institute or its reputation. The Institute must determine its jurisdiction under this policy for each case. The student's status as a student in no sense renders him immune from the regular legal processes.

In cases brought to the committee, the students rights are protected by procedural due process. The following procedures normally apply:

1. The Committee on Discipline consists of faculty, students and administration. No member of the committee who is involved in the particular case other than as a member of the Committee, will sit in judgment. A quorum consists of a majority of the members.
2. The student should be notified in writing of the charges against him with sufficient specificity and in sufficient time to prepare for the hearing; and he should be provided with a copy of the Discipline Committee procedure.
3. The student has a right to be present at the hearing and

be heard by the Committee in all disciplinary cases. The refusal of a student to appear or to waive his right in writing shall not prevent the Committee from considering and disposing of the case. The student may testify and present evidence and witnesses. He has the opportunity to be present to hear evidence against him and to cross-examine witnesses.

4. The student has the right to assistance in his case from a member of the faculty or administration or student of his choice during the hearing.

5. The decision must be based only on evidence introduced at the hearing and properly acquired. The decision will be made in closed session following the hearing then transmitted to the student in writing.

6. A summary of the hearing and reasons for the decision shall be prepared and kept in the Dean's office as part of the student's file.

7. The Committee acts with power in the case of admonition or disciplinary probation. In the case of recommendation for disqualification, the final decision rests with the President, to whom the student may appeal.

8. In the event of suspension or other temporary restriction of a student by the President or other officer of the Institute, the Committee will begin review of the case within two days, according to its standard procedures.

9. The Committee may invite additional faculty or student members to assist in its deliberations.

## Narrative of the case of

### Mr. M. Albert

The first case considered in December, 1969, which involved Michael Albert, developed out of the events at the Placement Office on October 29, 1969, which was examined by the Special Panel (the Rogers Panel) on the November Events and the MIT Community. The conclusions of the Panel as concerns the events at the Placement Office are represented by the following quotation:

We believe that the demonstrators participated in a disturbance whose level may have been such that disciplinary action is warranted. We therefore recommend an appropriate disciplinary review. Furthermore, we recommend that possible individual acts of violence during this event be given disciplinary review.

In accordance with this recommendation, the names of all students who could be identified "as actively participating in a demonstration in which violence was present" were given to the Discipline Committee for review. In its examination of the testimony the Committee endeavored to separate active participating in the demonstration from mere presence. One student who appeared before the Committee was found not to have actively participated, even though he was present, and the charge against him was dismissed. Two other students, including Mr. Albert, were found to have contributed to the violent pushing and shoving that occurred at the Placement Office.

The second case involving Michael Albert arose from the disruption of the Committee's hearing held on the evening of Wednesday, December 17. Of three persons who could be identified as students and who actively participated in the disruption, Michael Albert was charged with "disrespect to the Chairman of the Committee on Discipline which contributed to the disruption of the Committee."

To Members of the MIT Community:

I am writing to report to you on the events of the past few days and on the Institute's actions relating to these events. It is important that we view these events with calm and that we understand them without either overestimating or underestimating their significance. I repeat at the outset that our Institute is devoting itself to a resolute review of our policies and programs, but that does not permit those few who would violently interrupt our progress to keep us from our concerns. Neither, in my view, can we permit them to commit illegal acts with impunity. Let's keep this in perspective.

At noon last Thursday, January 15, a rally was held in the lobby of the Rogers Building by a group that had presented an ultimatum to the Institute with a deadline for 5 o'clock Wednesday. After the rally a group of approximately 100 moved to the corridor outside the President's office. Four masked men broke the door down with the aid of a battering ram, and the group then occupied the offices of the President and the Chairman of the Corporation. The group left at 10:00 on Friday evening.

Upon their entry and at several points throughout the occupation, warnings were issued orally and by written notice to the occupiers informing them that they were trespassers and that they would be subject to legal and disciplinary action.

The trespassers sealed off the two larger rooms and posted guards who forcefully prevented free access into the reception area and the Chairman's office. Throughout most of the time, only persons who would explicitly pledge support or who promised not to testify against the trespassers were permitted in the interdicted area.

Throughout the 34-hour period there were no negotiations with the trespassers. We were, however, in constant communication and consultation with individuals and groups of faculty and students on the problems and procedures to be used. In particular, a special Faculty Meeting was held on Thursday

at 3:00 p.m. in Room 10-250. The many Faculty members present voted in the course of a 2½-hour-long meeting overwhelmingly in favor of a resolution condemning the occupation and recommending that appropriate disciplinary action be taken against the trespassers.

Throughout the period of the occupation the educational process and other operations of the Institute continued unabated except in the small area occupied by the trespassers. On Friday, however, efforts were made by some of the trespassing group to disrupt regular Institute classes. In one instance, Associate Professor Edwin D. Bransome (Department of Nutrition and Food Science) personally escorted the disrupters out of the classroom, while in the other instance, Professor Emeritus John Wulff (Department of Metallurgy and Materials Science) was assisted by his students in ejecting the intruders from his class.

The trespassers, numbering then around 60, left the offices of the President at about 10 o'clock on Friday evening and joined a meeting in the Student Center. At about midnight a group of about 100 left the Student Center and made noisy demonstrations in front of the President's office, the President's House, and several dormitories. In front of the President's House at 111 Memorial Drive, one of the demonstrators climbed up to a first floor window and kicked in the face one of the campus patrolmen who attempted to remove him.

The damage in the occupied offices was extensive. The trespassers combined purposeful breaking into desks and files and the removal of documents with wanton destructiveness. Rugs were cut, paintings blotched, desks destroyed, doors broken, phones torn from their cables, and a series of slogans carved in furniture and written on rugs and walls. The trespassers removed card files and correspondence, and three stolen letters were published by Thursday, one of the student newspapers.

Late on Friday we sought and obtained from the Middlesex Superior Court a temporary restraining order enjoining the occupation. We intended to serve this order and remove the demonstrators had they not left of their own accord.

As I indicated in a public statement on Saturday, our actions in response to the occupation were guided by two principles. On one hand, our responsible concern for the unity and the future of the MIT community required us in this instance to solve our problem, if possible, without bringing the police on campus; on the other hand, the Institute could not pay the even higher cost of successful coercion by a group that had rammed its way through the door of the President's office. This position was supported by the faculty at the special meeting last Thursday, and I believe it has the support of the M.I.T. community.

The physical occupation of the offices is now over, but the act of unlawful trespass by those who participated and who stayed in the office despite our warning remains the concern of this community. I believe we have dealt with this situation with considerable restraint. The faculty and administration and the students in several instances have tried to communicate with those few people fairly and openly. We are now making preparation to bring charges in three courts of the Commonwealth against those - numbering perhaps 30 to 40 - whom we can identify as participants in the actions of breaking into and holding the offices. I have requested counsel for the Institute to prepare the exact nature of charges, including trespass, breaking and entering, theft and publication of Institute files, interruption of classes, and so forth.

I would like to make it clear that the Institute intends to bring legal charges against those who can be identified as participants in the action, whether they are members of this community or not. This action does not exclude internal judicial proceedings.

Over the past few years we tried to deal effectively with our substantive problems, including issues of the continuing evolution of the judicial processes. For this week we have scheduled several important meetings with student and faculty participation regarding these matters. Events like those of last week not only delay and disrupt but seriously set back the process of progressive change. We intend to deal with these incidents decisively so that we can go forward with the serious business of this institution.

Howard W. Johnson

# Statement by Johnson

day at 3:00 p.m. in Room 10-250. The many Faculty members present voted in the course of a 2½-hour-long meeting overwhelmingly in favor of a resolution condemning the occupation and recommending that appropriate disciplinary action be taken against the trespassers.

Throughout the period of the occupation the educational process and other operations of the Institute continued unabated except in the small area occupied by the trespassers. On Friday, however, efforts were made by some of the trespassing group to disrupt regular Institute classes. In one instance, Associate Professor Edwin D. Bransome (Department of Nutrition and Food Science) personally escorted the disrupters out of the classroom, while in the other instance, Professor Emeritus John Wulff (Department of Metallurgy and Materials Science) was assisted by his students in ejecting the intruders from his class.

The trespassers, numbering then around 60, left the offices of the President at about 10 o'clock on Friday evening and joined a meeting in the Student Center. At about midnight a group of about 100 left the Student Center and made noisy demonstrations in front of the President's office, the President's House, and several dormitories. In front of the President's House at 111 Memorial Drive, one of the demonstrators climbed up to a first floor window and kicked in the face one of the campus patrolmen who attempted to remove him.

The damage in the occupied offices was extensive. The trespassers combined purposeful breaking into desks and files and the removal of documents with wanton destructiveness. Rugs were cut, paintings blotched, desks destroyed, doors broken, phones torn from their cables, and a series of slogans carved in furniture and written on rugs and walls. The trespassers removed card files and correspondence, and three stolen letters were published by Thursday, one of the student newspapers.

Late on Friday we sought and obtained from the Middlesex Superior Court a temporary res-

tricted as students and who actively participated in the disruption, Michael Albert was charged with "disrespect to the Chairman of the Committee on Discipline which contributed to the disruption of the Committee."

The Committee met again on December 23 to continue (in closed session) the hearing regarding the events at the Placement Office and the charges regarding the meeting of December 17. Michael Albert was accompanied by his father, Mr. Melvin Albert, as advisor. The Committee concluded that Michael Albert's behavior and that of the two other students at the hearing of December 17 merited disciplinary action.

In hearing the charges and making its decision, the Committee believed that the three students mentioned above had, by disrupting the Committee hearing, demonstrated contempt for the behavior norms of this or any other community, for reasonable limits of dissent and protest, and for disciplinary processes of the Institute in ways that could not be ignored. The Committee asserts, however, that neither particular political persuasions of the defendants nor use of vernacular in itself influenced the Committee's decisions.

Michael Albert was, at the time of these hearings, on admonished status for his participation in the Alumni Seminar on September 7, 1969. In the letter

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